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## REMARKS IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

## I. Introduction

The following remarks are respectfully submitted in response to the Non-Final Office Action in this matter. In view of the following Remarks, the Examiner is respectfully requested to reconsider and withdraw the outstanding rejections and objections and allow all claims pending in the application.

## II. Summary Of Claim Status

The present Office Action Response does not amend any claims. As pointed out in the following Remarks section, the Applicant respectfully believes that the prior art cited by the Examiner is distinguishable from the present invention in that the cited references fail to disclose significant novel elements of the Applicant's invention.

The current status of the application's claims:

Claims 1-12 are pending.

The Examiner has rejected claims 1 and 7-12

The Examiner has objected to claims 2-6.

The following section entitled "Claims Listing" lists the claims in their current configuration. Other than in the Election of Group 1 (See Section III A.), no claims are being added, amended, or cancelled. The Claims Listing is provided to the Examiner as a courtesy and a convenience.